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Funds in Direct Care Worker Wage Increases must be used to raise direct care worker wages through an increase in Medicaid rates. Funds in Direct Care Worker Wage Increases may not be used to offset any other wage increase mandated by any other laws, contracts or agreements, which will go into effect at the same time or after implementation of the appropriation included in Direct Care Worker Wage Increases.

NOTE: There may be changes to the language in order to reference individual appropriations if more than one appropriation is made for direct care worker wage increases.